

## REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

MEETING

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DATE: March 3, 2003

<b>AGENDA SECTION:</b> Consent Agenda	<b>ORIGINATING DEPT:</b> Police	<b>ITEM NO.</b> D-14
<b>ITEM DESCRIPTION:</b> State of Minnesota, Department of Public Safety Gang Strike Force Reimbursement Grant		<b>PREPARED BY:</b> Roger Peterson

The Rochester Police Department has participated in a collaborative program with the State of Minnesota and the Olmsted County Sheriff's Office in the operation of a Gang Investigative Unit since 1998.

The purpose of the program is to reimburse local law enforcement agencies for the costs associated with dedicating an officer to the Gang Strike Force and to otherwise expand the capacity of law enforcement agencies to successfully investigate and prosecute crimes committed by criminal gangs. Reimbursement is available for up to 75% of the salary and benefits of the officer.

Olmsted County has acted as the fiscal agent for the previous grants and will continue to do so. The State of Minnesota requires a current resolution approving that Olmsted County act as the fiscal agent for the grant period of July 1, 2003 through June 30, 2005 and for the participation of the Rochester Police Department in the Gang Investigative Unit.

### COUNCIL ACTION REQUESTED:

Resolution approving the participation of the Rochester Police Department in the State of Minnesota Gang Strike Force. Approval to enter into a Gang Strike Force Agreement. Approval for Olmsted County to act as fiscal agent for the term of the grant.

**COUNCIL ACTION:** Motion by: \_\_\_\_\_ Second by: \_\_\_\_\_ to: \_\_\_\_\_

